

17 November 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

The week starting 27 November we have the first Year 7 assessment week, during which all Year 7 students will have the opportunity to show what they have been learning as well as receiving feedback on areas they need to improve.

Following these assessments, you will receive the first report to show you what progress your child is making and how good their attitude towards learning is.

It would be really helpful if you could encourage your child to revise for these assessments and also to arrive at school fully equipped.

To help you understand what the assessments are about, here are some further details:

English - Students will be completing a STAR reader assessment to test their understanding of vocabulary, as well as comprehension on a small text they will read during the assessment.

Maths - Revision lists are on Google Classroom and students should use Sparx to revise. Assessments will be one lesson only.

Science - The assessment will focus on the three topics that have been taught so far during Year 7; Ecology, Simple chemical reactions and Cells. Pupils should use the resources provided by their teacher on Google Classroom to revise for this assessment.

Geography - Students will complete a decision making exercise about a proposed 3rd runway at Heathrow. This will be an open book assessment and one which requires them to consider theirs and other people's opinions to make the decision.

History - Students should be prepared to complete some extended writing tasks and short knowledge-based questions about their learning since September. Resources will be provided on Google Classroom along with a revision list and supporting tasks.

French/German - Students will be assessed in Listening and Reading on the topic friends and family (this includes pets) and students should practise the key vocabulary to prepare, such as types of pets, family members, physical descriptions and ages/ numbers.

ICT - The assessment will focus on the current topic looking at how computers work.

REP - Assessment on introduction to Christianity including The Fall (Genesis) and King David. Revision resources supplied to students.



Drama - Students will be assessed on their devising skills when planning and rehearsing a pantomime performance.

PE - Grading is completed using the department's Medal > Elite ladder, each ladder section will have a lower, middle and upper grade score from 1-18. E.g. Medal Middle = 2, Gold Middle = 11 and Elite Upper = 18.

Art - Students will be undertaking a pencil drawing task for their assessment. This will focus on using line and tone to show the shape and form when drawing a natural form. They will analyse an image and develop a composition using their imagination.

Music - Students will be assessed on their recent keyboard skills learning and have been set a homework task on Google Classroom to support them in preparing for this.

We wish the best of luck to all the Year 7s. If there are any questions about these assessments, students should talk to their class teacher for further information.

Yours sincerely

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